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MAREK AND SESNON FIRES INCIDENT REPORT OCTOBER 14, 2008 – 7 A.M.

The Marek Fire near Lake View Terrace and the Sesnon Fire near Porter Ranch continues to burn today. Following is a brief report on impacts to Public Works facilities and infrastructures in the unincorporated County areas as of 7 a.m., today.

Marek Fire

The Los Angeles County Fire Department requested Road Maintenance Division to initiate debris removal (fallen rock and tree limbs) along Little Tujunga Canyon Road, Kagel Canyon Road, and Lopez Canyon Road. Numerous roadside trees that were burned will need to be removed. Many roadside traffic signs will also need to be replaced. Debris barriers will need to be installed at several culvert inlets in the burned areas.

Please refer to the attached for a listing of road closures for unincorporated County roads. This listing appears on Public Works' website (<http://dpw.lacounty.gov/rmd/roadclosure/results.cfm>). Please note that there are other road closures shown on the list that are not related to this firestorm event.

Waterworks District No. 21 facilities (air relief valves and fire hydrants) serving the Kagel Canyon area were damaged; however, water distribution service has not been interrupted.

Public Works Flood Control facilities that may be affected by the fire include Lopez Spreading Grounds, Lopez Canyon Channel, Oliver Debris Basin, Cassara Debris Basin, and Kagel Canyon Channel.

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Sesonon Fire

This fire is primarily located in the City of Los Angeles and no roadways in the unincorporated County areas have been affected.

Public Works Flood Control facilities likely affected by the fire include Browns Sediment Placement Site, Browns Creek Channel, Limekiln Creek, Limekiln Debris Basin, Wilbur Creek, Aliso Creek, and Bull Canyon Retention Basin.

Post-fire field investigations will be conducted over the next several days in the fire areas to determine the extent of the damage. We will also identify properties susceptible to mudflows emanating from the burned hillsides during future rainstorms and provide engineering advice to the property owners.

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Attach.

cc: Chief Executive Office (William T Fujioka, Lari Sheehan)
Executive Office



Note: Estimated road opening dates are subject to change without notice. Please check this site periodically before finalizing any travel plans.

There are currently 13 road closures and 0 planned road closure:

CURRENT ROAD CLOSURES					
Street - From / To	Status	Reason	Closed On ▼	Estimated Reopening	*SD
LITTLE TUJUNGA CANYON RD from OSBORNE ST to BEAR DIVIDE	ROAD CLOSED	DUE TO WILDFIRE	10-13-2008	TBD	5
LOPEZ CANYON RD from 0500 S BAILEY RD to KAGEL CANYON RD	ROAD CLOSED	DUE TO WILDFIRE	10-13-2008	TBD	5
PAXTON ST from 0280 W FOOTHILL FY to 1,745 E FOOTHILL FY	ROAD CLOSED	DUE TO WILDFIRE	10-13-2008	TBD	3
KAGEL CANYON RD from 0435 W EAST TR to 2,145 N LOPEZ CANYON RD	ROAD CLOSED	DUE TO WILDFIRE	10-13-2008	TBD	5
50TH ST EAST from AVENUE Q to AVENUE P-8	ROAD CLOSED	CLOSED DUE TO ROAD CONSTRUCTIONS	05-21-2008	10-29-2008	5
40TH ST EAST from 1320 S AVENUE P 8 to AVENUE P 8	ACCESS LIMITED, EXPECT DELAYS	DETOUR ROUTE EXPECT DELAYS	05-21-2008	PARTIALLY OPENED	5
AVENUE P 8 from 40TH ST EAST to 50TH ST EAST	ACCESS LIMITED, EXPECT DELAYS	DETOUR ROUTE EXPECT DELAYS	05-21-2008	PARTIALLY OPENED	5
LITTLE TUJUNGA RD AT MILE MARKER 15.05	ACCESS LIMITED, EXPECT DELAYS	LANE CLOSURE DUE TO PAVEMENT FAILURE AT WILDLIFE WAYSTATION (MM 15.05)	01-28-2008	PARTIALLY OPENED	5
AUDIO RD from MT WILSON RED BOX RD to MT WILSON CR	ROAD CLOSED	CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC AND NO EXPECTED DATE TO OPEN.	08-03-2006	TBD	5
VIDEO RD from MT WILSON RED BOX RD to AUDIO RD	ROAD CLOSED	CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC AND NO EXPECTED DATE TO OPEN.	08-03-2006	TBD	5
SADDLE PEAK RD EAST OF STUNT RD	LANE CLOSED	LANE CLOSED DUE TO ROADWAY DAMAGE - 04/05 STORM	02-09-2005	12-31-2008	3
SCHUEREN RD 365' WEST OF STUNT RD	LANE CLOSED	LANE CLOSED DUE TO SLOPE FAILURE - 04/05 STORM	01-10-2005	12-31-2008	3
LATIGO CANYON RD @ MILE MARKER 2.08	LANE CLOSED	LANE CLOSED DUE TO PAVEMENT DAMAGE - 04/05 STORM	01-09-2005	12-31-2008	3

There are currently 4 recently reopened road closures:

REOPENED ROAD CLOSURES				
Street - From / To	Reason	Closed On	Reopened On ▼	*SD
ANGELES FOREST HY from ANGELES CREST HY to ALISO CANYON RD	DUE TO WILDFIRE	10-13-2008	10-13-2008	5
BIG TUJUNGA CANYON RD from MOUNT GLEASON RD to ANGELES FOREST HY	DUE TO WILDFIRE	10-13-2008	10-13-2008	5
AVENUE M 4 from 50TH ST WEST to 55TH ST WEST	ROAD CLOSED DUE TO ROAD CONSTRUCTION	10-06-2008	10-09-2008	5
142 DETOUR WHITTIER BL AT DUNCAN AV to ARIZONA	USE PCA IS C200803352	10-07-2008	10-07-2008	

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- District 1 (<http://molina.lacounty.gov>)
- District 2 (<http://burke.lacounty.gov>)
- District 3 (<http://zev.lacounty.gov>)